

# 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

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Osher at Carnegie Mellon University 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Report

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

# Celebrating Pioneering and Prolific Study Leaders

The Study Leader is the heart of our lifelong learning institute. Without their dedication and wisdom, we would not have achieved the successes we have. While we wish to recognize all of our Study Leaders, we want to draw particular attention to the following top 28:

Last Name	First Name	1st Year Taught	Total # of Courses
Rosenblum	Helen-Faye	1993	243
Landerman	Edgar	1994	107
Lazaroff	Thomas	1995	95
Limbach	Elsa	2009	56
Werner	Sheila	2006	46
Rapp	Connie	2003	45
Robinson	Judith	1999	45
Miller	Errol	2006	44
Olmsted	John	2014	44
Spahr	Judy	2008	44
Glassmire	Charles	2005	41
Averbach	Rosa Barnett	2008	40
Crow	Judith	2005	39
Kossowsky	Ram	2004	36
St. Clair	Gloriana	2004	36
City Theatre	Kristen Link	2008	35
Frumerman	Marcia	1996	35
Block	Richard	2002	34
Cantor	Owen	2004	32
Cornes	Cleon	2004	32
Schexnayder	George	2010	31
Forbes	Chris	2009	30
Schinhofen	Mary	2011	30
Pollack	Connie	2012	29
Antonoff	Bruce	2009	27
Gottfried	Byron	2007	27
Fortun	David	2007	25
Symons	Ronald	2009	25



# at Carnegie Mellon University

Osher 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Thursday, September 26, 2019 Kresge Auditorium, College of Fine Arts

Register for course 3104 or call 412-268-7489.

# Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CMU Mission, Vision, and Goals

#### Mission & Vision (Board Approved April 19, 2017)

The mission of Osher at CMU is to provide its members with learning and social enrichment opportunities that increase their knowledge, enhance skills and interactions with peers, and increase cultural and social awareness, complementing CMU's leading role in educational, intellectual, and cultural life in the Pittsburgh region.

Osher at CMU's vision is to be a premier quality source of lifelong learning for its members through cost effective, short-term, non-credit courses, lectures, field trips, special interest groups, and other events supporting its mission.

#### Goals (Board Approved January 24, 2019)

Key Assumptions: We have:

- Continuing active support from Carnegie Mellon University
- A strong financial position
- · High quality programs that meet the needs of our current and future members
- A dynamic and interactive Osher community

#### Specific Goals:

- 1. Acquire contiguous study, activity, and office space.
- 2. Launch 4.0 Fund Project for new space development.
- 3. Deliver robust curriculum to meet member expectations.
- 4. Engender a strong sense of community among the membership.
- 5. Promote active volunteerism.
- 6. Ensure that technology effectively supports our organization.
- 7. Implement policies and procedures to guide activities.
- 8. Develop guidelines for optimal staffing.
- 9. Develop guidelines for membership conduct.
- 10. Establish board designated funds and annual giving mechanism.

# Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

# at Carnegie Mellon University

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## Osher Membership Retention by Year

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013*
Year Joined							
1992	3	4	5	5	5	5	5
1993-95	25	30	34	38	45	55	58
1996	15	20	23	24	24	25	26
1997	18	21	26	28	34	40	41
1998	13	16	19	20	21	21	22
1999	37	52	57	62	68	71	102
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	13	19	19	22	23	24	27
2002	27	31	31	38	46	51	52
2003	48	56	68	77	91	95	99
2004	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
2005	74	88	99	103	112	118	118
2006	108	124	135	156	171	182	184
2007	85	97	106	112	133	143	145
2008	71	83	88	96	108	116	128
2009	121	164	179	192	229	238	268
2010	61	76	80	86	94	98	118
2011	60	75	80	88	99	105	118
2012	106	134	151	169	196	217	222
2013	74	94	103	113	130	150	155
2014	161	203	224	258	300	355	
2015	129	167	196	222	256		
2016	187	258	305	366			
2017	232	287	241				
2018	274	317					
2019	166						
Totals	2,109	2,417	2,270	2,276	2,186	2,110	1,887

<sup>\*</sup> remaining as of 2013 from prior year classes

The 2019 year saw a reduction in membership. Responses to a survey indicate that many did not renew because of the increases in membership and registration fees from the prior year. The Osher National Resource Center has assured us that this is a typical response to increased fees.

## Schedule and Agenda

#### September 26, 2019 Kresge Auditorium, College of Fine Arts

5:30: Member's Only Reception

6:20: Annual Meeting
Call to Order
Approval of 26th Annual Meeting Minutes
Approval of changes to the By-Laws
New Campus Location Comments
Other Business
Adjournment of Business Meeting

**7:00:** Beethoven In The Face of Adversity performed by Violinist Monique Mead

#### 2019-2020 Executive Committee



#### Standing, Left to Right

Marcia Taylor - Treasurer

President - Jim Reitz

Jan Hawkins - Secretary

#### Sitting, Left to Right

Allan Hribar - Vice President

John Olmsted - Immediate Past President

#### Osher at CMU Value and Expectations

In 2019, as a result of five focus groups commenting on the then Code of Conduct, it was replaced by the Osher at CMU Values and Expectations which are as follows:

#### Osher at CMU Values and Expectations

**Mission**: The mission of Osher at CMU is to provide its members with learning and social enrichment opportunities that increase their knowledge, enhance skills and interactions with peers, and increase cultural and social awareness, complementing CMU's leading role in educational, intellectual, and cultural life in the Pittsburgh region.

**Vision:** Osher at CMU's vision is to be a premier quality source of lifelong learning for its members through cost effective, short-term, non-credit courses, lectures, field trips, special interest groups, and other events supporting its mission.

**Values:** Osher at CMU provides a dynamic, intellectually stimulating, and participative environment of continuous learning. To ensure the effectiveness of that environment, we highly value:

- mutual respect,
- · personal and academic integrity, and
- civil discourse.

**Expectations and Actions**: Osher at CMU expects its participants (members, Study Leaders, staff, volunteers and prospects) to observe our values. Participants agree:

- 1. To embrace diverse perspectives on subjects, thereby ensuring vitality, relevance, and further learning.
- 2. To ensure that discourse and interactions are about the course and not the individual
- 3. To respect all participants through regular attendance, only at courses for which registered.
- 4. To participate in appropriate ways that help the group to grow.

Osher at CMU holds a high behavioral standard, expecting no personal attacks or other behavior that fails to meet these expectations, including denigrating other's views or opinions, threatening behaviors, use of offensive or abusive language, disruptive classroom conduct, sexual harassment or discrimination, and monopolizing discussions.

Anyone who disregards the values and expectations of Osher at CMU may be denied the privilege of participating in courses and/or other Osher activities even to the extent of discontinued membership.

We encourage participants in the Osher at CMU community to notify the Executive Director or the Board President if they observe behavior that is inconsistent with our Values and Expectations.

We are committed to fostering a community environment of lifelong learning.

Board Approved July 29, 2019

#### Minutes from the 26th Annual Meeting

#### Osher at CMU 26th Annual Meeting August 27, 2018

Called to order at 5:40 pm by the President, Jim Reitz, welcoming all members.

Minutes (included in the annual report) from 2017: approved as written

Treasurer's Report: see annual report

In the report, note the recognition of members who have provided volunteer service to Osher.

5:55 pm meeting adjourned followed by

Picnic dinner

Performance by the Originals, a CMU male acapella group.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Fogarty Secretary



Osher's new home in Cyert Hall Call the office to donate

#### PRESIDENT

The 2018-2019 year for Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CMU was filled with great successes and anticipation. And in preparing for the future, the Board approved a new strategic plan after nearly a year of work to ensure continued future successes!

With enormous thanks to our Curriculum Committee our Osher Program once again provided an incredible list of class choices for our members. Long time favorite class choices continued to be offered and be fully subscribed. New courses offered for the first time were eagerly sought.

Our Lecture Committee provided our membership with chances to learn from some prominent speakers and presenters. If you missed any of them, you missed some terrific presentations.

AND after years of anticipation, requests and meetings with CMU administration, our Osher program was granted new space in Cyert Hall. By the time a report like this is written for the 2019-2020 annual meeting, we should be settled (or settling) into our new space in Cyert Hall.

Will it provide everything we've always sought for our program? Sadly not, but focusing on what the new space might lack would be to miss what we are gaining, which includes: Having most of our classes and office in the same building; Having a lounge for members to make better connections; Having updated classrooms, with flexible, comfortable and attractive equipment and furnishings.

We will have a PAT bus stop nearby. We will be one half block from where the FREE campus shuttle can drop off our members.

We are a learning institute with a membership composed of alert, experienced and get-it-done types of people. There will be a lot of adjusting and some compromising, but we know how to do that. We'll be learning new routes, new means of access, new schedules, new ways of using and adapting to our space as we break it in.

That will be sometimes challenging, but definitely an exciting process that is just ahead of us. Members of your Board of Directors have been working for months with CMU administration and with an architectural firm, and they will eventually be working with a construction firm to prepare our future home.

We will ALL have the opportunity to literally "buy-in" to the new space, as ALL of the costs of design, construction and outfitting of the space are Osher's responsibility and will be raised by US, you and I, through a capital fund raising campaign. Our fund drive will be kicking off once the final design of the new space is completed, and possibly before, or not long, after you read this.

My report would be incomplete if I did not recognize those who make Osher so successful. I first want to salute our staff for the work, they do behind the scenes so that all you and I have to do is go online, register for classes we want, and show up. My thanks also to our dedicated Board members. You may not realize how many hours they put in when they could be doing something else with their retirement. And thanks to all members of our committees and ALL of our other volunteers. It is not "blowing smoke" to say our program would not and could not exist without you.

Jim Reitz

#### **TREASURER**

Summary: The financial position of Osher at CMU continues to be strong. Net ordinary income for the year ending June 30, 2019 was \$70,412, with income exceeding the budget by \$6,738 and expenses below budget by \$58,374. This solid financial position is important to the organization as it moves forward with plans for new space.

Balance Sheet: Assets (all current) total \$1,113,947, including cash of \$386,634 and investments of \$665,942. Subsequent to year-end, the Board approved an initial pledge of \$150,000 to the 4.0 project (design, construction and equipment costs for the new Osher space in Cyert Hall), with \$100,000 to come from the cash balance and \$50,000 from the Board designated funds. In addition, the Board approved a transfer from cash to the Board reserve fund of \$10,300, which is 15% of the net ordinary income as required by Board policy. The cash pledge and reserve transfer are reflected as restricted cash on the balance sheet.

The Board reserve fund represents investments set aside for extraordinary expenses, losses or significant changes in the operating environment. The Board designated fund is an investment account to be used as needed to supplement operations. Examples of potential uses of this fund are for support of the 4.0 project or to cover increased routine operating costs in future years.

The net equity at Osher at CMU topped \$1 million dollars this year. Of this balance, \$665,942 has been reserved or designated by the Board for future use.

Income Statement: Total income for the year ending June 30, 2019 was \$527,738, higher than the previous year by \$88,161. The most significant change was in membership dues, which increased \$64,190 from the previous year. Registration fees increased by \$19,867 from 2018-2019. The increases in both of these accounts reflect the dues and fees increases enacted in April 2018. At the time these increases were approved, it was anticipated that additional increases would not be necessary in the near future, provided that the organization could maintain sufficient investment funds (the Board designated fund).

Total expense for the year ending June 30, 2019 was \$457,326, higher than the previous year by \$61,608. One of the significant variances was in publications and communications, due to a billing from CMU that pertained to unbilled items from previous years. At the end of 2018 the Board budgeted \$50,000 to begin the planning process for the 4.0 project. Of this amount, \$14,902 was spent in 2018-2019 and the remainder has been re-budgeted in the 2019-2020 budget.

2019-2020: At its August 2019 meeting the Board approved a budget for 2019-2020 totaling \$506,200, a slight decrease from the 2018-2019 budget. This budget is based on the needs of the organization as it stands today with no additional funds (other than the carry-over mentioned above) for the 4.0 project. Over the next few months pro forma budgets will be prepared to consider additional expenses, if any, due to the expanded space.

Over the last year, volunteers have donated approximately 7,864.9 hours to Osher at CMU, resulting in an approximate value of \$187,645.26.

Marcia Taylor

# Comparative Balance Sheet (all amounts in dollars)

ASSETS	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
Current Assets Cash and short term investments Restricted cash Board reserve fund Board designated fund Accrued dividends Osher underwriting receivable Prepaid expenses Other assets	276,334 110,300 146,202 519,740 901 59,503 950	332,123 - 127,201 492,900 81 59,503 1,050 432
Total Current Assets	1,113,947	1,013,290
Fixed Assets Equipment and leasehold improvements Accumulated depreciation	159,262 (159,262)	159,262 (155,945)
Net Fixed Assets	0	3,317
TOTAL ASSETS	1,113,947	1,016,607
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Current Liabilities Accounts payable Accrued payroll Accrued paid time off Member advance payments Other liabilities	2,032 15,630 6,881 1,646 193	8,670 13,769 6,881 3,564 191
Total Current Liabilities	26,382	33,075
Equity Unrestricted - board reserve Unrestricted - board designated Unrestricted	146,202 519,740 421,623	127,201 492,900 363,431
Equity	1,087,565	983,532
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	1,113,947	1,016,607

# Comparative Income Statement

	Year Ending June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	Budget 2018-2019
INCOME  Membership dues Registration fees Contributions Osher Foundation Underwriting Other revenue	213,177 177,668 17,587 119,006 300	148,987 157,801 18,130 114,569 90	240,000 180,000 1,000 100,000
TOTAL INCOME	527,738	439,577	521,000
EXPENSE  Administrative services Publications and communications Membership Curriculum Payroll Executive Recurring events 4.0 start-up  TOTAL EXPENSE	65,192 40,730 12,373 27,577 284,392 8,345 3,815 14,902	66,026 18,637 11,898 35,886 243,911 11,466 7,894	62,500 18,500 13,000 37,200 305,000 14,850 14,650 50,000
NET ORDINARY INCOME	70,412	43,859	5,300
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE) Interest and investment income Realized gain on investments Unrealized gain on investments Depreciation Investment fees  TOTAL OTHER INCOME	16,828 10,214 14,441 (3,317) (4,545)	12,763 4,971 18,189 (5,959) (4,755)	10,000 (5,300) 4,700
NET INCOME	104,033	69,068	10,000

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

2018-2019 was a year of major transitions and challenges for our organization.

Our first challenge was the impact that higher dues and fees had on our membership enrollment. At the April 2018 board meeting, due to rising costs the Board voted to raise membership dues from \$60 to \$100 and fees for registration from \$50 to \$60 for the 2019 year. The registration fee hadn't been changed for 11 years and the membership dues for over eight. The impact of this decision resulted in a larger number of non-renewals than usual. The Osher National Resource Center has assured us that this fallout is normal. Scholarships were offered to those who indicated they couldn't afford the increase – few took us up on the offer. Many said they were members at both Pitt and CMU, and because Pitt was perceived to be less expensive, they opted out of Osher at CMU program. While we still have a waiting list, because of our current space constraints which limit the available classroom space, we will be keeping the number of members around the current level.

The second and continued challenge, is one of space. In April, on short notice, we were informed that we needed to give up our space in Hunt Library and move our office into temporary quarters in Wean Hall. This resulted in the loss of one of our CMU designated classrooms that also doubled as our conference room. These changes were the result of both Hunt Library and the IDeATe program expansions. Because of these changes, we had to reduce the number of course offerings for the Fall 2019 term and not increase the number of members for 2020. The positive outcome is that the Osher office is now around the corner from the Wean classrooms.

As mentioned in the President's report, Carnegie Mellon University has assigned Osher new space in Cyert Hall. After many years of hope, our goal of having many of our classrooms, the office, and a lounge for socializing in one location is now coming to fruition. If all goes as planned, we should be in our new campus home by this time next year.

A committee, called the 4.0 Project, was formed to shepherd the project from concept to reality. A sub-committee of the 4.0 Project has been working hard to pull all of the pieces together for us to have a successful fundraising campaign. Once the architects are able to provide us with our fundraising goal to pay for the buildout of the space to meet our needs, we will be providing everyone regular updates and information on how to contribute to this worthy cause. Time is really short in order to meet the anticipated construction schedule; we hope to have this number by the end of September. Please see page 18 for this committee's report.

To give a taste of things to come, all of the chairs in Wean Hall 4707 were replaced with new ones. They were met with very positive responses. We also purchased seven folding tables so that 4707 could be used in multiple formats – from lecture style courses to game courses, round table discussions and meetings. The flexibility this room arrangement has provided has been extremely helpful in scheduling courses since we now have one less classroom and don't have access to a large conference room.

Another piece of good news is that we completed development of our strategic planning goals in February of this year (see page 4) and are moving forward with their implementations. The Executive Committee has been charged by the Board to monitor the progress of all ten goals. As the executive director, I've been directed to stay on top of the progress being made. I am happy to report that many of the action plans have been already completed. Given the progress that all the committees are making, I fully expect that by 2021 most of what we, as an organization, have set out to do will be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyn Decker

# **REGISTRAR**

Following is a composite of our registration statistics from our Fall term 2013 through the Summer term 2019. While there was a slight dip in our membership numbers this year, our registrations were consistent with prior years. As of January 2019, our membership was 2,109 as compared to 2,417 in the prior year.

Comparative Registration Information	Year	# of Students Registered	# of Seats Filled	# of Courses
	2013	1,099	3,831	146
	2014	1,113	4,231	145
Fall	2015	1,132	4,158	153
Fall	2016	1,141	3,963	153
	2017	1,183	4,169	157
	2018	1,179	5,494	169
	2014	934	3,219	130
	2015	965	3,193	129
Winter	2016	1,011	3,319	132
vviiitei	2017	995	3,525	139
	2018	1,094	3,542	145
	2019	970	4,397	139
	2014	862	2,724	107
Summer	2015	939	2,640	111
	2016	870	2,718	105
	2017	866	2,530	104
	2018	950	2,846	115
	2019	866	2,744	112

Respectfully submitted, Lyn Decker

## **CURRICULUM**

Curriculum Committee 2018-2019 Annual Report

During the past year the Curriculum Committee has sponsored a total of 420 courses. (Please see the Registrar's report for more detailed information.)

The committee has been involved with three major tasks, in addition to its usual responsibilities of course sponsorship and assessment, Study Leader recruitment and Study Leader interaction. They are:

- 1. Formal response to goals established within the current Strategic Plan. Currently, the committee is charged with the development of action plans to assess the quality, content, and diversity of courses; to foster the performance of study leaders through support and training; and to recruit new study leaders. Efforts are ongoing develop appropriate responses.
- 2. Creation of administrative subgroups within the committee. So far, two subgroups have been created one concerned with study leader support, the other concerned with outside perspectives regarding membership satisfaction.
- 3. Tepper graduate student initiative. A few committee members have met repeatedly with several Tepper School of Business graduate students for the purpose of gaining an independent perspective on the committee's efforts to assess course quality (see item 1 above).

The committee plans to continue these efforts within the coming year, and expects to add several new members to fill existing vacancies.

During the past year, the following people have served on the committee:

Gary Bates, Les Berkowitz, John Brown, Maureen Brown, Flip Conti, Circe Curley, Jan Davis, Lyn Decker, Mary Duquin,
Anna Estop, Byron Gottfried, Marilyn Maiello, Enid Miller, Judy Rubinstein, Helen-Faye Rosenblum,
Rochelle Steiner, Mona Strassburger, Jeffrey Swoger, Randy Weinberg, Sheila Werner, Richard Wilson, David Zimmer

Respectfully submitted,
Byron Gottfried
On behalf of the entire Curriculum Committee

## Committees and Chairpersons

Capital Campaign: Jim Reitz
4.0 Steering Committee Jeffrey Swoger

Curriculum: Curriculum Steering Committee with Lyn Decker as Interim Coordinator

Finance: Roz Goorin Human Resources: Jan Hawkins

Leadership: Jeff Holtz, acting chair

Lectures: Gary Bates
Membership: Ann Augustine
Nominating: John Olmsted
Strategic Plan: Jeffrey Swoger

#### The Official Family 2018 - 2019

#### **Officers**

President: Jim Reitz
Vice President: Allan Hribar
Secretary: Lee Fogarty
Treasurer: Roz Goorin

Past President: John Olmsted

#### **Board of Directors & Term Expirations** Rosalie Barsotti 2021 +Alan James 2019 2020 +**Gary Bates** John Olmsted 2020 +Jane Cordisco 2019 Jim Reitz 2021 +Anna Estop 2019 Pat Schroder 2019 Lee Fogarty 2020\* Raja Sooriamurthi 2021 +Roz Goorin 2020\* Mona Strassberger 2021\* **Jan Hawkins** 2021\* Jeffrey Swoger 2022 +Jeffrey Holst 2022 +Marcia Taylor 2021\*

Allan Hribar

The following people served on the 2018-2019 board but resigned or died during the year: Francine Abraham, Linda Bishoff, and Circe Curley

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Past Presidents				
Gretchen Lankford	1992 - 95‡	Lester Berkowitz	2003 - 05	
Lucian Caste	1995 - 97‡	Patricia Swedlow	2005 - 07‡	
John M. Feeney	1997 - 98‡	Rita Zecher	2007 - 08	
Joseph Scorpion	1998 - 00‡	Julian Eligator	2008 - 10‡	
Helen-Faye Rosenblum	2000 - 01	Betsy Martin	2010 - 12	
Mary Lane Salsbury	2001 - 02‡	Jan Davis	2012 - 14	
Gloria Kleiman	2002 - 03	Joe Shirk	2014 - 16	
‡ Deceased		John Olmsted	2016 - 18	

#### Office Staff

Lyn Decker Executive Director

Chris Dashti Administrator - Programs Chelsea Prestia Administrator - Publications Olivia McCann Administrator - General Office

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes First Term + Denotes Second Term

## 4.0 STEERING COMMITTEE

The Osher 4.0 Steering Committee was established to plan a campaign to raise the funds necessary to cover the costs associated with the design, planning, construction and outfitting of the new first-class Osher facilities to be located in Cyert Hall.

Osher President, Jim Reitz, and Steering Committee members, Jane Cordisco, Jeffrey Holst, Bev Jones, John Olmsted and Lyn Decker have developed a fund raising strategy and plan, formed an alliance with CMU to implement the plan, and are developing the fund raising capital campaign materials that will help make our case to members, foundations and corporations.

Spearheading our efforts will be long-time members and Study Leaders Marsha Frumerman, Ed Landerman, and Hellen-Faye Rosenblum, who have graciously agreed to serve as our Honorary Chairs for the campaign. At this writing, the committee is awaiting the availability of the final design of the new space so it can be incorporated into the campaign materials. Once that is available, the campaign will be initiated.

This is one of the most critical undertakings in our organization's history. It is one critical opportunity that will help sustain and ensure the successful future of Osher for many years to come. We are counting on you, as a member, to support the efforts. Together, we will realize an objective that Osher leadership has been working to achieve for at least a decade.

The following people have been members during the past year:

Jane Cordisco, Lyn Decker, Jeffrey Holst, Bev Jones, John Olmsted, and Jeffrey Swoger, Chair

#### FINANCE

The committee held meetings with the Investment Advisor and developed a revised Investment Policy Statement for the organization. The committee with Board approval, also authorized the Investment Advisor to perform a Fi360 Investment Stewards audit. This determines if prudent financial practices are in place for the Board and Finance Committee concerning investments and investment strategies.

The committee also developed an Internal Control Checklist to be reviewed with staff to determine if financial practices could be improved. The actual implementation of checklist was placed on hold temporarily due to the unanticipated move of the staff offices to temporary locations in Wean Hall.

In addition, the committee performed a number of activities and took related actions to support the on-going operation of Osher while maintaining a sound financial position and disciplined financial practices. Over this last year these have included the following:

- Reviewed and recommended refund policy
- Provided input to staff for further development of the accounting and financial policies and procedures manual
- Reported financial position to the Board on a trimester basis (coincides with our class and registration schedule
- Approved expense for the new chairs in Wean 4707 classroom (off-budget)
- · Developed and recommended the 2019-2020 budget

The following people are now committee members or have been members during the past year:

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The Human Resources Committee focused on several initiatives during this year that were consistent with the goals in the new Osher at CMU strategic plan.

To address a proposed update of the Code of Conduct, the committee conducted focus groups, gaining insight from members about the need for, desired content, and overall message that should be communicated. From this input, the committee developed an aspirational statement of Values and Expectations to replace the Code of Conduct. At year end, this Values and Expectations document is pending review and approval by the Board of Directors.

The committee recognized the need to update the existing Human Resources Policy Manual. The team thoroughly reviewed the manual content, made suggested changes and will be issuing the updated, approved version to each staff member.

In addition, a comprehensive review of external compensation trends was completed. The HR Committee made timely recommendations for adjustment in overall staff salary ranges and for individual levels of staff compensation.

The following individuals are now committee members or have been members during the past year:

Lyn Decker, Ann Isaac, Marcia Taylor and Jan Hawkins, Chair

#### LEADERSHIP

The primary focus of the Committee was the identification and development of education sessions for the Board of Directors to ensure that all Directors understood how Osher operated to fulfill its mission and had sufficient knowledge to contribute to and vote on issues important for the ongoing operation of Osher at CMU. This activity conducted by Jeff Holst, resulted in Board education sessions on the following topics:

- Board Roles and Responsibilities
- · Fiduciary Responsibilities
- Osher Investments
- Osher Insurance Coverage
- New Facility Capital Campaign Planning
- CMU Tepper Team Support for the Curriculum Committee.

#### **LECTURES**

During this year, the evening lecture series has been alive with spirit and engagement. As it has in the past, the series has spanned many relevant social, political, medical and cultural issues that are important and of interest to our members. We appreciate our membership support in making the series a vital part of the Osher experience.

- Wednesday, September 26, 2018: Mr. Rogers The Musician: Jim Cunningam, WQED-FM's Senior Show Producer, presented Mr. Rogers in another light, through the musicians and music he chose to enhance his educational program.
- Wednesday, December 12, 2018: Woman's Work: Not Just in the Kitchen: Dr. Natalie Schifano, educator and art historian, introduced the audience to little-known European women artists from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance period.
- Monday, March 18, 2019: Roboburgh: A conversation with Pittsburgh Technology Leaders was a lively panel
  discussion on technology in Pittsburgh moderated by Courtney Linder, business reporter at the Pittsburgh Post
  Gazette. The panel was Emily Duff Bartel, Uber; Myra Awodey, Duolingo; Ryab O'Shea, BehAIvior; John Thornton,
  Astrobotic; and Allen Bancroft, RE2 Robotics.
- Wednesday, June 26, 2019: The Healthcare Crisis and Physician Burnout: Dr. Bhupendra O. Khatri, author of Healthcare 911, takes a candid look at the healthcare crisis on many fronts- from the lack of affordability of healthcare services to the appalling salaries of hospitals, insurance companies, and pharmaceutical manufacturers.
- Wednesday, July 17, 2019: Design: The Intersection of Architecture, Math, & Nature: Sylvester Damianos, noted Pittsburgh architect and artist, discussed the elements of architecture, math, and nature and how they are reflected in and/or influenced by The Parthenon, Machu Pichu, The Forbidden City, The Golden Mean, The Fibonacci Progression, Neuroscience, Desgin for Disability and Auberle.

The following people have been committee members during the past year:

Lee Fogarty, Pat Schroder, Anna Estop, Mona Strassburger and Gary Bates, Chair

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Membership Committee has responsibility for organizing member events, approval of scholarships and acknowledging the deaths of members.

During this past year the committee organized and hosted the following events

- Back to School Picnic in August 2018
- New Member Orientation in November 2018
- Winter luncheon in February 2019

The dedicated efforts of the committee members, assisted and supplemented by the Osher staff, were the keys to these successful events.

The following people are or have been members during the past year:

Rosalie Barsoti, Diane Berman, Sharman Brisson, Roz Goorin, Marlene Haus, Alma deLeon, Jeffrey Swoger, Stanley Winikoff, and Ann Augustine, Chair

#### **NEWSLETTER**

In 2019 the Osher newsletter Its All Talk was updated to align with Osher at CMU branding. It continues to be published each term.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

In 2016, then president John Olmsted tasked our group with defining a new set of goals for our organization. These goals were to be integrated into the existing strategic plan, adopted in 2012. The committee, after an initial "Strength, Weaknesses Opportunities and Threats" (SWOT) analysis, spent months working with the committee chairs, the Executive Director and Osher leadership to define ten strategic goals to be implemented within the next three years. After much work and inputs from many members, the final document was approved by the Board of Directors in February of this year.

The document assigned responsibility for attaining each of the ten goals and established timelines for the various action plans within each goal. The Executive Committee was assigned the responsibility of overseeing the document's implementation. The Strategic Plan committee viewed the new set of goals as a living document, subject to changes if, or when, the Board and/or the Executive Committee determined that they were warranted.

Thanks and kudos go to the committee members for their hard work, and tenacity, during this lengthy project.

The following people have been members during the past year:

Francine Abraham, Rosalie Barsotti, Lyn Decker, Roz Goorin, Pat Schroder, Randy Weinberg, and Jeffrey Swoger, Chair.

## VOLUNTEERS

Osher at CMU continues to have an enthusiastic troop of volunteers who continuously offer their help in the office and the classrooms.

Osher Ambassadors (OAs) are the liaisons for the Osher Office in the classroom. One member of each class volunteers to make announcements at the beginning of each class, monitors the attendance sheet, and reports any issues to the office. Though many new OAs are recruited each term, there are many volunteers who repeatedly offer their help in the classroom.

The Front Desk Volunteers are a core group of volunteers who come in regularly and help with everyday tasks. These volunteers consist of many who have been volunteering regularly for years as well as new Prospects participating in the Fast track program. The Fast Track volunteer program remained strong in 2018-2019 bringing in eight new members. Fast Tracking provides Prospects the opportunity to volunteer in order to shorten their time on the waiting list for membership. After 30 volunteer hours, Prospects are invited to membership. It also provides those who are new to the organization with the opportunity to get to know office staff and other members, as well as develop an understanding of how Osher at CMU operates.

Olivia McCann

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